

IN THE CLAIMS

For the convenience of the Examiner, all pending claims of the present Application are shown below whether or not an amendment has been made. Please amend the claims as follows.

1. **(Currently Amended)** A method for communicating telematic messages among a plurality of telematic devices ~~for generating and receiving telematic messages, coupled together by using~~ a message router, comprising ~~the steps of:~~

(a) receiving by the message router, a telematic message generated by a first telematic device comprising one of said plurality of telematic devices wherein the message router and the first telematic device are located in a vehicle;

converting the telematic message into a first translated message having a standard format using a first software object contained in the router and associated with the first telematic device;

(b) ~~selecting by using~~ the message router to process the first translated message and select at least a second telematic device comprising one of said plurality of telematic devices as a destination device to which to communicate the telematic first translated message based on a characteristic of the telematic first translated message;

converting the first translated message into a second translated message using a second software object contained in the router and associated with the second telematic device; and

(c) transmitting by the message router the telematic second translated message to said ~~selected destination~~ the second telematic device; ~~and~~

~~(d) processing said telematic message by said selected destination device.~~

2. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 1, ~~wherein said message router has an associated memory, further comprising, before said transmitting step:~~

(e) determining whether ~~said selected destination~~ the second telematic device is available to accept ~~said telematic~~ the second translated message, and

(f) if the ~~result of said determining step is that said selected destination~~ second telematic device is not available, maintaining ~~said~~ the second translated message in ~~said a~~ memory associated with ~~said the~~ message router until ~~said selected destination~~ the second telematic device becomes available.

3. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 2, ~~wherein said selected destination device is not available,~~ further comprising:

(g) assigning a time-to-live parameter to ~~said telematic~~ the second translated message; and

(h) removing ~~said telematic~~ the second translated message from ~~said the~~ memory if ~~said the~~ time-to-live parameter expires before ~~said selected destination~~ the second telematic device becomes available to accept ~~said telematic~~ the second translated message.

4. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 2, further comprising ~~before said determining whether said destination device is available,~~ assigning a priority parameter to ~~said telematic~~ the second translated message.

5. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 4, wherein ~~said selected destination~~ the second telematic device is unavailable to accept ~~said telematic~~ the second translated message because it has not completed processing a previously received telematic message, further comprising:

(i) determining whether ~~said telematic~~ the second translated message stored in ~~said~~ the memory has a higher priority parameter than ~~said~~ the previously received telematic message; and

(j) if the ~~result of said determining whether said telematic message stored in said memory has a higher priority parameter than said previously received telematic message is that said telematic~~ second translated message stored in ~~said~~ the memory has a higher priority parameter than ~~said~~ the previously received telematic message, interrupting ~~said~~ the processing of ~~said~~ the previously received telematic message, and transmitting ~~said telematic~~ the second translated message stored in ~~said~~ the memory to ~~said selected destination~~ the second telematic device for processing.

6. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 1, wherein ~~said selecting a destination~~ the second telematic device is selected based on the type of ~~said~~ the telematic message.

7. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 1, wherein ~~said selecting a destination~~ the second telematic device is selected based on the content of ~~said~~ the telematic message.

8. **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of said plurality of telematic devices is a wireless transceiver capable of communicating with at least one device attached to a terrestrial network.

9. **(Original)** The method of claim 8, wherein said terrestrial network is the Internet.

10. **(Original)** The method of claim 8, wherein said at least one device attached to said terrestrial network is a computer server providing at least one telematic service.

11. **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of said plurality of telematic devices is a user interface device.

12. **(Original)** The method of claim 11, wherein said user interface device includes an audio interface.

13. **(Original)** The method of claim 11, wherein said user interface includes a visual display.

14. **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of said plurality of telematic devices is a vehicle data bus.

15. **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of said plurality of telematic devices is a navigation system.

16. **(Original)** The method of claim 15, wherein at least one of said plurality of telematic devices is a wireless transceiver capable of communicating with at least one device attached to a terrestrial network and wherein said navigation system utilizes data stored on a computer readable storage medium attached to said terrestrial network.

17. **(Cancelled)**

18. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 1, ~~wherein said message router has an associated memory~~, further comprising, ~~before said receiving step, (k)~~ initializing at least one of ~~said~~ the plurality of telematic devices ~~including the steps of comprising:~~

communicating by ~~said~~ the at least one of the plurality of telematic ~~device~~ devices to ~~said~~ the message router at least one desired message type; and

storing ~~said~~ the at least one desired message type in ~~said associated a~~ memory associated with the message router; and

wherein ~~said selecting step (e)~~ selecting at least a second telematic device is based on ~~said initializing step (k)~~ the at least one desired message type.

19. (Currently Amended) A telematic message ~~routing-system~~ router comprising:

~~at least one input for accepting~~ a first port operable to accept a telematic message from ~~at least one~~ a first telematic device located in a vehicle;

a processor, coupled to ~~said at least one~~ the first input, the processor operable to execute computer software, the computer software operable to including functionality for receiving said telematic message and selecting a destination telematic device to which to route said telematic message based on a characteristic of the telematic message; and

convert the telematic message into a first translated message having a standard format using a first software object contained in the router and associated with the first telematic device;

process the first translated message and select at least a second telematic device as a destination device to which to communicate the first translated message based on a characteristic of the first translated message; and

convert the first translated message into a second translated message using a second software object contained in the router and associated with the second telematic device;

a second port coupled to the processor and to a second telematic device and operable to send the second translated message to the second telematic device; and

wherein the telematic message router is located in the vehicle

~~at least one output coupled to said processor and coupled to at least one telematic device.~~

20. (Currently Amended) The telematic message ~~routing-system~~ router of claim 19, wherein ~~said the~~ processor is further ~~includes functionality for determining operable to determine~~ whether ~~said selected destination~~ the second telematic device is available to accept ~~said telematic~~ the second translated message, and further comprising a memory accessible by ~~said the~~ processor for storing ~~said telematic~~ the second translated message until ~~said selected destination~~ the second telematic device becomes available.

21. **(Currently Amended)** The telematic message ~~routing-system~~ router of claim 20, wherein ~~said the~~ processor is further ~~includes functionality for assigning operable to assign~~ a time-to-live parameter to ~~said-telematic the second translated~~ message stored in ~~said the~~ memory, and ~~for removing to remove said-telematic the second translated~~ message from ~~said the~~ memory if said ~~the~~ time-to-live parameter expires before ~~said-selected-destination the second telematic~~ device becomes available to accept ~~said telematic the second translated~~ message.

22. **(Currently Amended)** The telematic message ~~routing-system~~ router of claim 20, wherein ~~said the~~ processor is further ~~includes functionality for assigning operable to assign~~ a priority parameter to ~~said-telematic the second translated~~ message.

23. **(Currently Amended)** The telematic message ~~routing-system~~ router of claim 22, wherein said processor is further ~~includes functionality for~~ operable to:

~~determining~~ determine whether ~~said-selected-destination the second telematic~~ device is unavailable because it has not completed processing a previously received telematic message;

~~determining~~ determine whether ~~said-telematic the second translated~~ message stored in ~~said the~~ memory has a higher priority parameter than ~~said the~~ previously received telematic message; and

~~interrupting-said~~ interrupt the processing of ~~said the~~ previously received telematic message and ~~transmitting-said~~ transmit the telematic second translated message stored in ~~said the~~ memory to ~~said-selected-destination the second telematic~~ device for processing if ~~said-telematic the second translated~~ message stored in ~~said the~~ memory has a higher priority parameter than ~~the~~ previously received telematic message.

24. **(Currently amended)** The telematic message ~~routing-system~~ router of claim 19, wherein ~~said the~~ processor selects ~~a-destination the second telematic~~ device based on the type of ~~said the~~ telematic ~~message~~ message.

25. **(Currently Amended)** The telematic message ~~routing-system~~ router of claim 19, wherein ~~said the~~ processor selects ~~a destination~~ the second telematic device based on the content of ~~said the~~ telematic message.

26. **(Currently Amended)** The telematic ~~routing-system~~ message router of claim 19, further comprising a terrestrial network and at least one device attached to ~~said the~~ terrestrial network, wherein ~~said at least one~~ the first telematic device is a wireless transceiver capable of communicating with ~~said the~~ at least one device via ~~said the~~ terrestrial network.

27. **(Currently Amended)** The telematic message ~~routing-system~~ router of claim 26, wherein ~~said the~~ terrestrial network is the Internet.

28. **(Currently Amended)** The telematic message ~~routing-system~~ router of claim 26, wherein ~~said the~~ at least one device attached to ~~said the~~ terrestrial network is a computer server providing at least one telematic service.

29. **(Currently Amended)** The telematic message ~~routing-system~~ router of claim 19, wherein ~~said the~~ at least one telematic device is a user interface.

30. **(Currently Amended)** The telematic message ~~routing-system~~ router of claim 29, wherein ~~said the~~ user interface comprises an audio interface.

31. **(Currently Amended)** The telematic message ~~routing-system~~ router of claim 29, wherein ~~said the~~ user interface comprises a visual display.

32. **(Currently Amended)** The telematic message ~~routing-system~~ router of claim 19, wherein ~~said at least one~~ the first telematic device is a vehicle data bus.

33. **(Currently Amended)** The telematic message ~~routing-system~~ router of claim 19, wherein ~~said at least one~~ the first telematic device is a navigation system.

34. **(Currently Amended)** The telematic ~~routing-system~~ message router of claim 33, further comprising a terrestrial network and at least one device attached to ~~said the~~ terrestrial network, wherein ~~said-at-least-one~~ the first telematic device is a wireless transceiver capable of communicating with ~~said the~~ at least one device via ~~said the~~ terrestrial network and wherein ~~said the~~ navigation system utilizes data stored on ~~said the~~ at least one device attached to ~~said the~~ terrestrial network.

35. **(Cancelled)**

36. **(Currently Amended)** The telematic ~~routing-system~~ message router of claim 19, wherein ~~said the~~ processor is further ~~includes functionality for receiving~~ operable to receive initialization data from ~~said-at-least-one~~ the second telematic device, ~~said the~~ initialization data comprising at least one desired message type, wherein ~~said the~~ ~~functionality for selecting~~ processor selects a destination the second telematic device as the destination device is based on ~~said initialization data~~ the at least one desired message type.